

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1033

By Berke

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Linda Friberg upon her selection as a 2008 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2008, the American Lung Association of Tennessee, in conjunction with Belk, will present the 23rd Annual Women of Distinction Awards, designating Linda Friberg as a 2008 Woman of Distinction; and

WHEREAS, a long-standing Chattanooga tradition, the Woman of Distinction Awards are granted to women who have distinguished themselves through their professional career accomplishments and their dedication to the community through their numerous and valuable civic and philanthropic endeavors; the honorees are selected from community nominations; and

WHEREAS, Linda Friberg commenced her professional career as an elementary school teacher; she changed to real estate management before retiring to dedicate her time to civic volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating great leadership acumen, Linda Friberg works assiduously as a member of the board of directors of the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera and is a board member for the Association for Visual Arts; she has served as a president of the CSO Guild, co-chairman of the Spectrum fundraiser for the Hunter Museum of American Arts, and president of Missionary Ridge Garden Club; and

WHEREAS, she has rendered sterling service on the board of trustees for Girls Preparatory School, for which she chaired the 2005 Visions fundraiser and co-chaired the capital campaign that raised \$3.4 million to build a student center and dining hall; and

WHEREAS, a life member of the Tennessee Federation of Garden Clubs, Mrs. Friberg has also lent her time and talents to other noble causes close to her heart, including the Houston Museum of Decorative Arts, Habitat for Humanity, American Cancer Society, Endeavors, Chattanooga CARES, Tennessee Junior Miss, the American Heart Association, and 4 Bridges Arts Festival; and

WHEREAS, her many professional and civic accomplishments aside, Linda Friberg is most grateful to share both love and companionship with her husband, Russell Friberg, and their two children; and

WHEREAS, Linda Friberg epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; she takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Linda Friberg, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Linda Friberg upon being named as a 2008 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee, recognizing her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership, and community spirit and extending to her our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.